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TO AMEMBASSY PARIS

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SUBJECT: CIVAIR: FLIGHT CLEARANCE FOR COOK INDUSTRIES

REF: A) PARIS 001129; B) PARIS 357

1. EMBASSY SUBMITTED REQUEST TO MFA DEC 26 FOR COOK INDUSTRIES JAN 19-22 IN-OUT FLIGHTS ON BASIS OF TELEX RECEIVED DEC 24 FROM COOK CHIEF PILOT CHARLES HESSON. COOK INDUSTRIES HAS HAD UNUSUALLY GOOD TRACK RECORD OF DIRCETING ITS FLIGHTS REQUESTS THROUGH EMBASSY MOSCOW. (MANY OTHER US FIRMS WISHING TO OPERATE PRIVATE FLIGHTS TO USSR FILE THROUGH WASHINGTON-BASED AIRCRAFT OWNERS AND PILOTS ASSOCIATIONS; THAT ORGANIZATION THEN FORWARDS INFORMATION TO US THROUGH INTERNATIONAL MAILS RATHER THAN BY TELEX, WHICH OF COURSE DELAYS SUBMISSION OF REQUEST TO SOVIETS.)

2. IN PRESENT INSTANCE, RESPONSE FROM MFA FOR COOK FLIGHTS NOT RPT NOT YET RECEIVED. THIS IS NOT UNUSUAL AS SOVIETS ALMOST INEVITABLY WAIT UNTIL LAST MINUTE BEFORE GRANTING OR REFUSING FLIGHT CLEARNACES. AS A LEADING US GRAIN TRADER, COOK INDUSTRIES USUALLY HAS NO PROBLEM IN SECURING PERMISSION FOR ITS FLIGHTS TO MOSCOW FOR DISCUSSIONS WITH V/O EXPORTKHLEB. ONLY ONCE IN EMBASSY'S MEMORY HAS PERMISSION BEEN DENIED FOR COOK FLIGHT--

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PRESUMABLY SOVIETS WERE NOT IN BUYING MOOD THAT TIME.

3. WE WILL INFORM EMBASSY PARIS (AS REQUESTED REFTEL B)
IMMEDIATELY UPON RECEIPT OF SOVIET RESPONSE.
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